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*Inspection of immigrants at Santiago for the week ended December 29, 1900.*SANTIAGO DE CUBA, *December 29, 1900.*

SIR: I herewith submit report of alien steerage passengers at this port during the week ended December 29, 1900:

Date.	Vessel.	Where from.	No. of immigrants.
1900.			
Dec. 27	American steamship Santiago.....	New York	1
Dec. 29	Provisional flag steamship Julia.....	San Juan, Porto Rico, and Santo Domingo	19
	Total.....		20

Respectfully,

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The SURGEON-GENERAL,
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ENGLAND.

*Plague on steamship Friary, at Hull.*NEW-CASTLE-ON-TYNE, *January 18, 1901.*

There were 5 deaths from plague at Hull among the crew of the *Friary*. * * *

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The SURGEON-GENERAL,
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FRANCE.

*Report from Paris—Decrease of enteric fever and smallpox.*PARIS, FRANCE, *December 31, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that, according to the official returns, typhoid fever and smallpox in Paris are decreasing slightly. Of the former there were 45 cases and 14 deaths week before last, and 53 cases with 10 deaths last week.

Of smallpox, 104 cases with 9 deaths were reported during week before last, and 105 cases with 8 deaths for the past week.

Respectfully,

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GERMANY.

*Report from Berlin—Plague and cholera in various countries.*BERLIN, GERMANY, *January 2, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following information obtained from the imperial health office:

PLAGUE.

The 12 cases of plague which occurred in Tamatave, Madagascar, during the period from August 27 to October 23, last year, were distributed among Creoles, Indians, and Chinese. This time the natives

were not affected. A notice was published on November 18 that health certificates will now be freely issued.

Réunion.—There were 2 fatal cases of plague on the island on December 1 and 8. It is claimed that measures have been taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

Paraguay.—At the end of October a report was spread that plague had broken out in Asuncion. The rumor was taken up by the daily papers of the neighboring States, and the national sanitary council sent one of their physicians to Concepcion to investigate the matter. Now, according to an official publication of the sanitary council dated November 3, it is distinctly denied that any cases of plague have occurred at the place named. The physician has, however, remained for the present at Villa Concepcion.

Queensland.—The sanitary authorities state that during the week ended November 3, 2 cases of plague occurred at Brisbane. On November 3 there were still 4 cases under treatment in the whole colony—1 in Charters-Towers since September 29, and 3 in Brisbane.

Cholera.

British India.—Sixty-one persons have died in the period from November 11 to November 24 from cholera at Calcutta.

Respectfully,

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ITALY.

Report from Naples.

NAPLES, ITALY, December 26, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended December 26, 1900, the following ships were inspected:

On December 20, the steamship *Werra*, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 195 steerage passengers and 60 pieces of large and 340 pieces of small baggage. Fifty-four pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

On December 21, the steamship *Neustria*, of the Fabre Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 204 steerage passengers and 46 pieces of large, and 257 pieces of small baggage. Fifty-three pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

On December 22, the steamship *California*, of the Anchor Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 122 steerage passengers and 13 pieces of large, and 125 pieces of small baggage. Twenty-four pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

On December 26, the British steamship *Glantivy*, bound in water and sand ballast for orders to Hampton Roads, Va.

Respectfully,

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